

Supporting information for:

Fluorescence response of cruciform D- π -A- π -D phenothiazine derivatives to mechanical force

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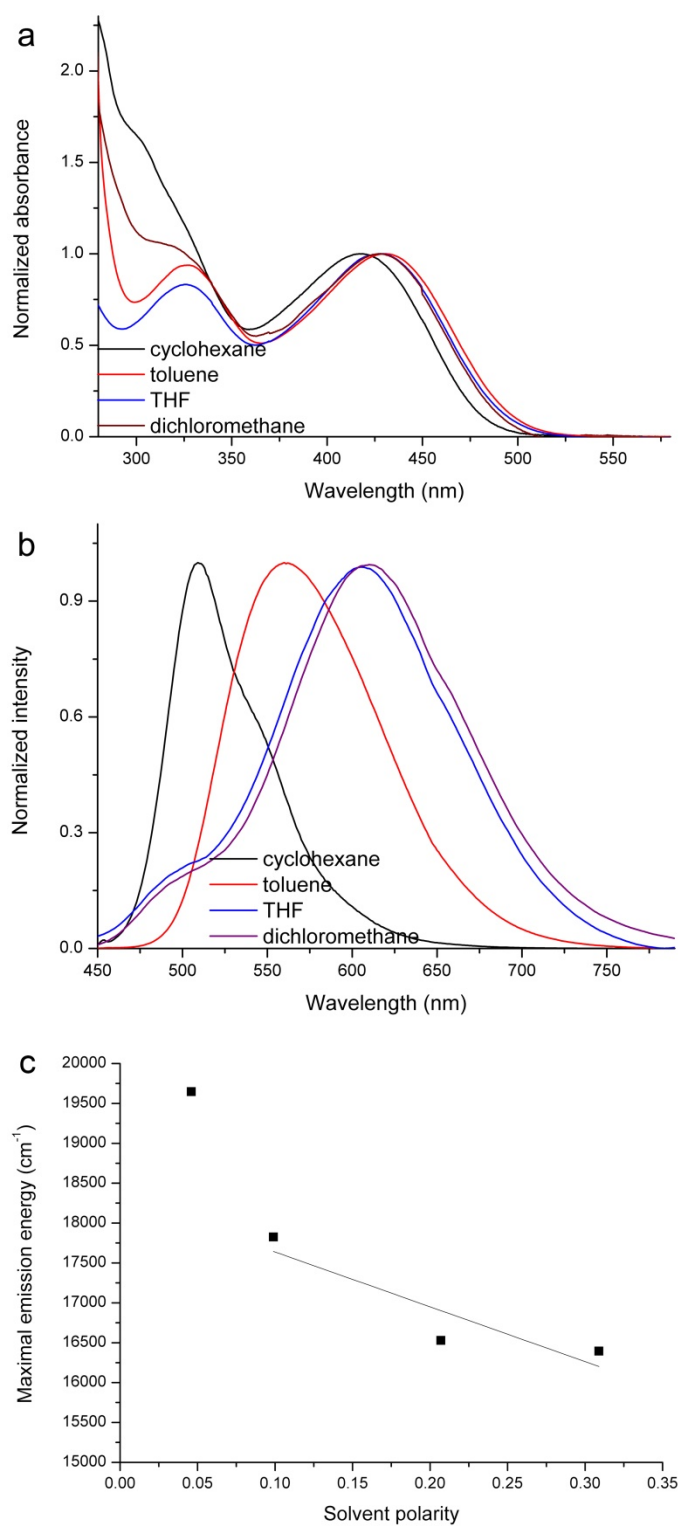


Fig. S1 (a) Absorption and (b) fluorescence spectra of EPTD in different solvents. c) Lippert–Mataga plot: fluorescence emission maximum energy of EPTD as a function of solvent polarity. $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 400 \text{ nm}$. $C = 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$.

Table S1. Photophysical data of EPTD in different solvents.

	Cyclohexane	Toluene	THF	CH ₂ Cl ₂
λ_{abs} (nm)	417	430	428	428
λ_{em} (nm)	509	561	605	609

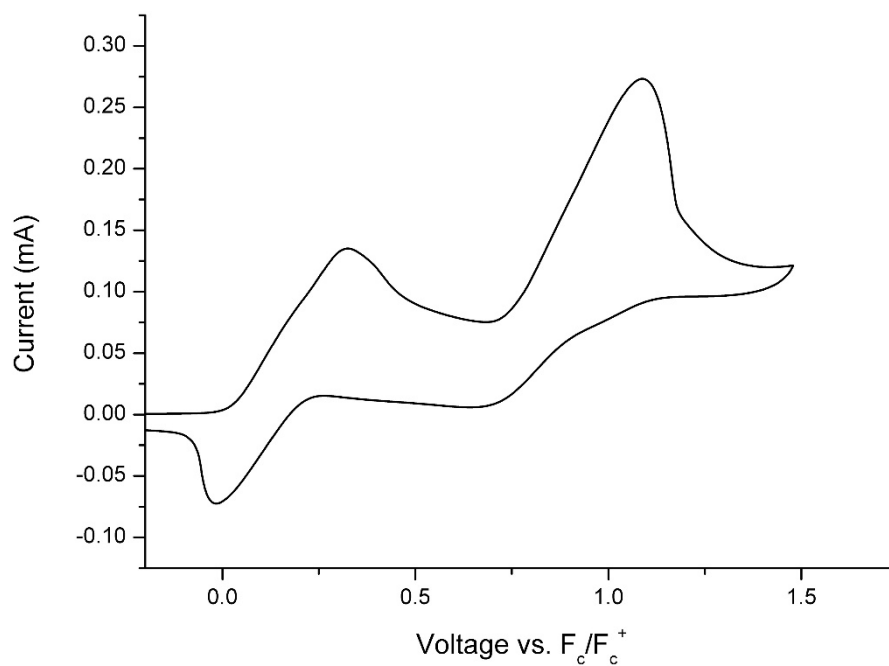


Fig. S2 Cyclic voltammetry curve of EPTD in dry THF at a scan rate of 0.1V/s.

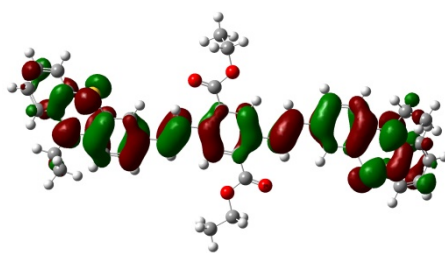
Table S2. Photophysical data of EPTD in THF and energy levels obtained by cyclic voltammogram and quantum chemical calculation based on EPTD-E.

	$\lambda_{\text{abs}}^{\text{a}}$	$\lambda_{\text{onset}}^{\text{a}}$	E_{g}^{b}	HOMO ^c	LUMO ^d	HOMO ^e	LUMO ^e
	(nm)	(nm)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)	(eV)
EPTD	325, 417	482	2.57	-4.95	-2.38	-4.81	-2.17

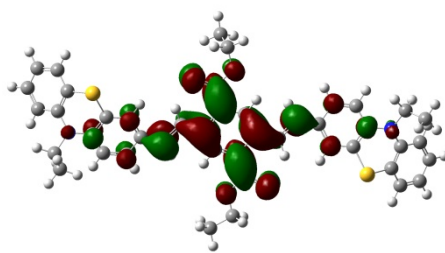
^a Measured in THF (10^{-5} M); ^b E_{g} was determined from the edge of the absorption spectrum. ^c HOMO energy level was obtained by first oxidation peak in DMF with ferrocene/ferrocenium (Fc/Fc^+) as an internal reference. ^d $E_{\text{LUMO}} = E_{\text{HOMO}} + E_{\text{g}}$. ^e DFT calculated at theoretical level of B3LYP/6-31G.

Table S3. Photophysical data of EPTD in vacuum obtained by quantum chemical calculation.

	Transition	Transition assignment	E (eV)	λ_{abs} (nm)	Oscillator strength
EPTD	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO (9.2 %) HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+2 (3.5 %) HOMO \rightarrow LUMO (82.4%)	3.0316	408.97	1.6087



HOMO



LUMO

Fig. S3 Frontier orbitals of EPTD optimized in vacuum.

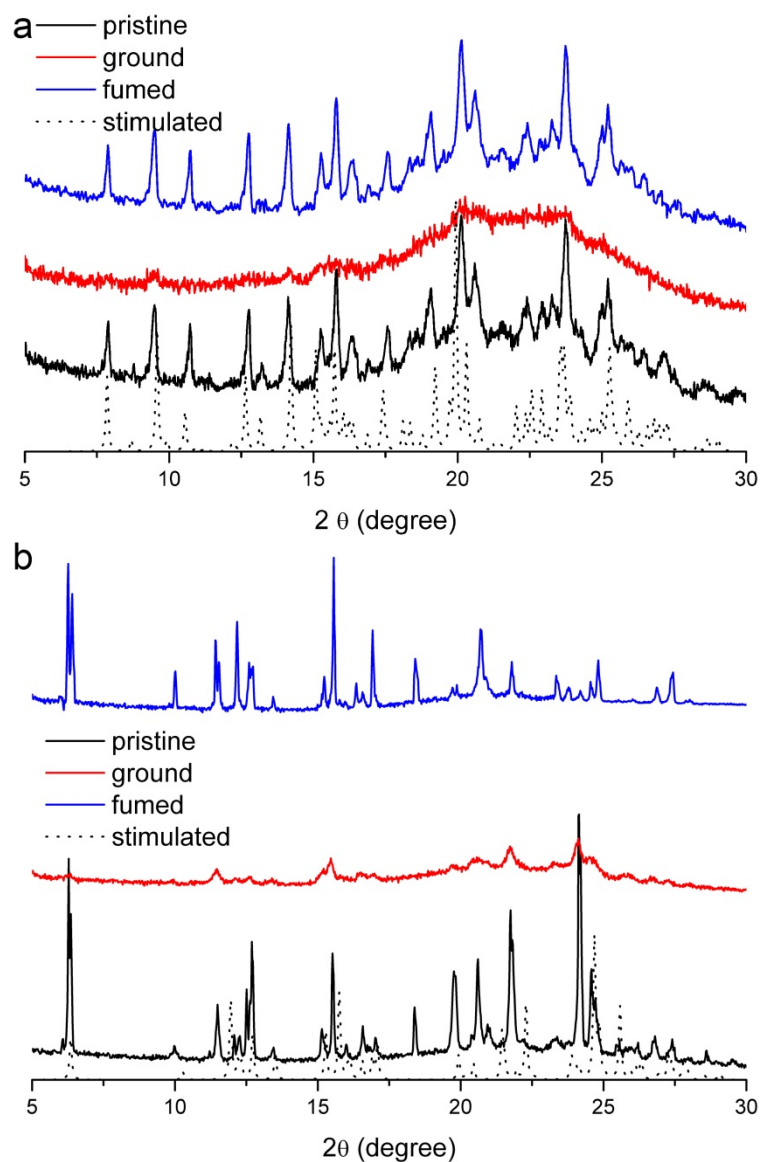


Fig. S4 XRD patterns of (a) EPTD-Y and (b) EPTD-R in pristine crystals, ground and fumed solids. Dot lines are stimulated XRD patterns.

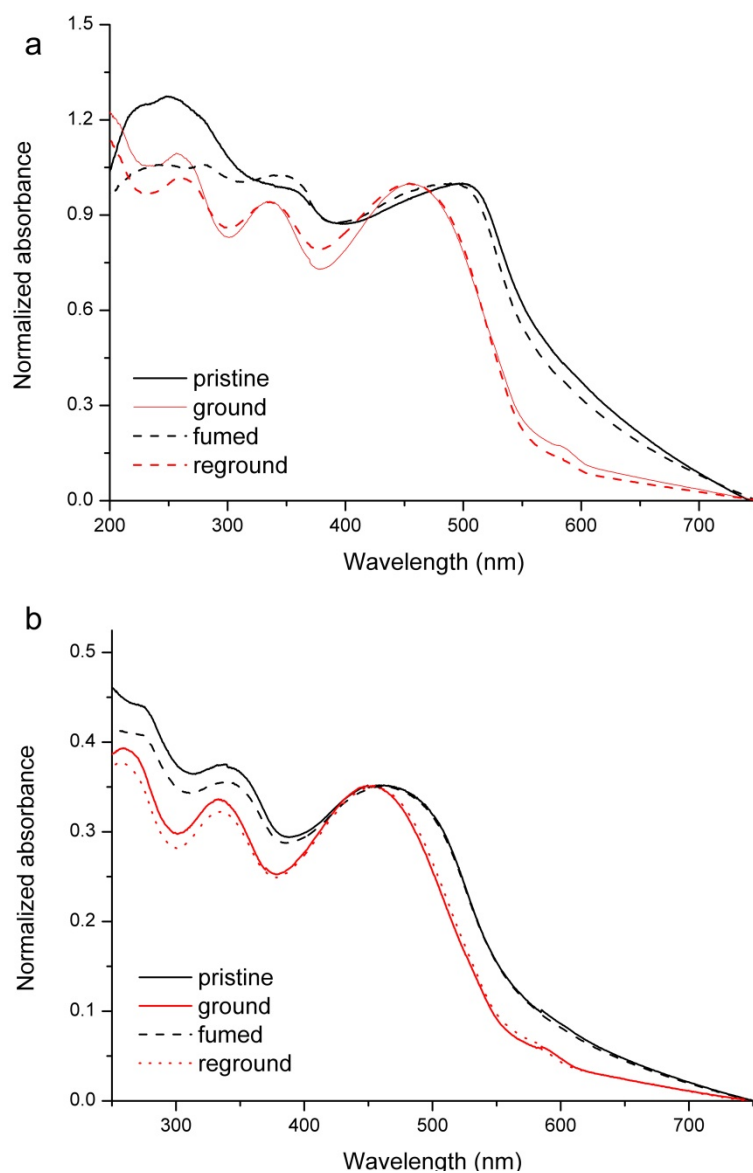


Fig. S5 UV-Vis absorption spectra of (a) EPTD-Y and (b) EPTD-R in different states.

Table S4. Photophysical data of EPTD in Z-form and E-form obtained by quantum chemical calculation.

	Dipole moment (Debye)	Transition	Transition assignment	E (eV)	λ_{abs} (nm)	Oscillator strength
Z-form	4.79	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO (9.6 %) HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+2 (7.5 %) HOMO \rightarrow LUMO (73.7 %)	3.5384	350.39	1.8105
E-form	0	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1$	HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO (12.1 %) HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+2 (5.4 %) HOMO \rightarrow LUMO (75.0 %)	3.5055	353.69	1.4926

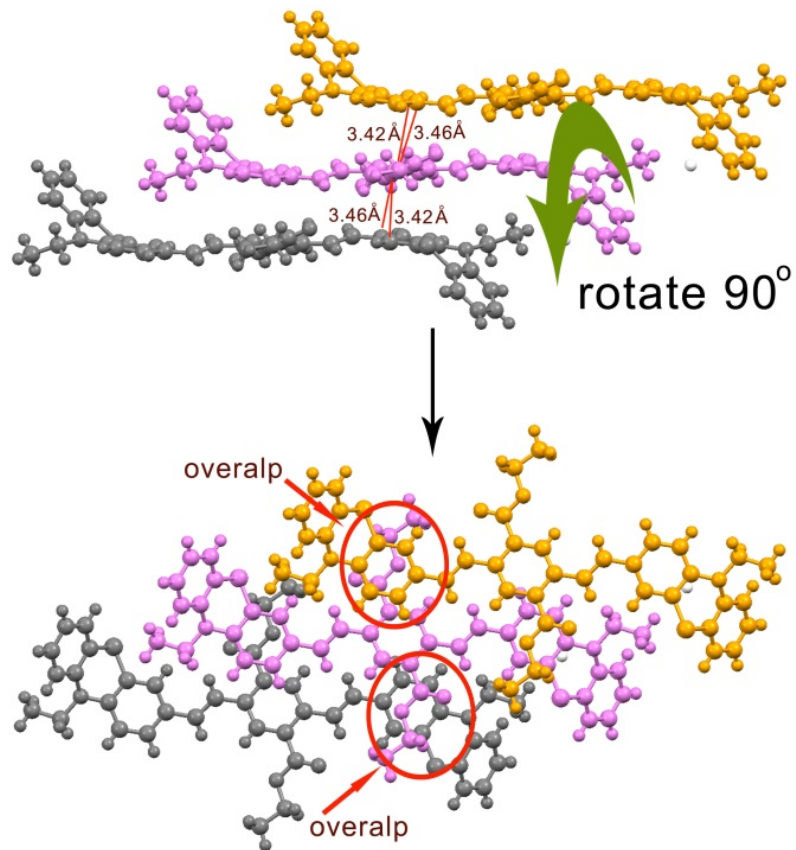


Fig. S6 Molecular stacking and the interaction between ester groups and phenothiazine moieties in EPTD-R crystal.



Fig. S7 XRD patterns of BPTD in different states.

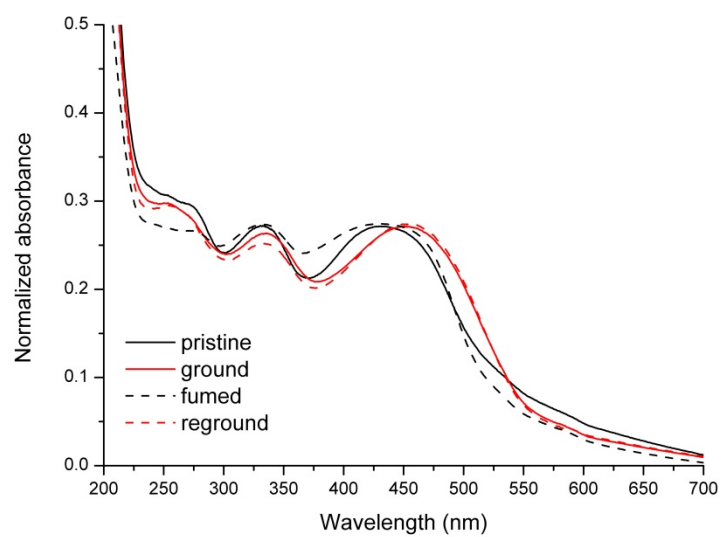


Fig. S8 UV-Vis absorption spectra of BPTD in different states.